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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Hiroyasu SAKA, et al.

Serial No.: 10/~~533,849~~ ^{553,849}

Group: 1755

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Examiner: P. Parvini

FOR: SURFACE TOUGHENED METHOD OF SINTERED MATERIAL CUTTING TOOL
AND A LONG LIFE SINTERED MATERIAL CUTTING TOOL

Date: May 18, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Sir:

This is in reply to the Office Action dated April 3, 2007,
to which a response is due on or before July 3, 2007.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.